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Attached is an English translation of EP 0 737 876 A2, the original document submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 18, 2004.

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents cited in the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record therein and appear on the first page of any patent to issue therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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